

Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report

Village Commission Meeting Date: November 6, 2014

Subject: Strategic Plan

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Background

It is proposed that the Village engage in a new strategic planning exercise.

A few issues this year have raised concerns about what seems essential about the Village and its culture, and how future planning should be respectful of what are considered to be essential features of the Village. No one has ever defined what those special features are, what the essential Village culture is, and how best to protect them both in changing times. There is no right or wrong about the Village's culture, but someone needs to apply a sense of order and vision, so current and future Village residents will have a framework within which to manage the Village. This proposal is to form a strategic planning group, and that group should consist of elected officials, Board Chairs and maybe even all Board members, and any Village resident who take a special interest in the overall them of the Village. One past strategic planning session was aimed at solving an immediate problem regarding maladaptive dynamics on the Commission at the time, and a recent session did not include a designated and particularly experienced mediator. Neither session included

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Board members and the general residents of the Park. Considering the scope proposed here, all of these categories of Village resident should be included.

Fiscal / Budget Impact

\$2,000 to \$5,000

Recommendation

That the Village and its Commission and most interested residents compose a new strategic plan.